

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A packaged pre-moistened wet wipe comprising a web of nonwoven fibers
bonded with a water soluble and/or dispersible polymeric binder in contact with an
aqueous composition which is substantially free of boric acid and contains a sufficient
amount of a water-binding compound, which preferably is a salt of an organic or
inorganic acid, to prevent the dissolution/redispersion of the water soluble/dispersible
10 components of the binder composition while imbuing the nonwoven with a wet tensile
strength that is at least as great as that afforded by a 4 wt% boric acid solution.

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